

## Arrowsic Select Board Minutes

November 13, 2023

As Approved on November 27, 2023

**Present:** Walter Briggs, DeeDee Jorgensen, Steve Bonine, Eileen Bonine, Jody Jones, Bob Ater, Ruth Indrick (KELT), Karen Robbins, Clark Cooper

**Attended via Zoom:** Don Kornrumpf, Don Hudson, Josephine Ewing, Vicky Stoneman, Michael Kreindler, Michele Gaillard, Jon Biehler

**Excused:** Jennifer Geiger

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**Call to Order:** 6:03pm by Walter Briggs

**Agenda:** Reviewed & approved on a motion by DeeDee seconded by Walter.

**Items for approval:**

- Minutes of Select Board Meeting on October 23, 2023, and October 30, 2023, approved on a motion by DeeDee seconded by Walter.
- Treasurer's Warrant #9 for \$106,802.03 approved on a motion by DeeDee seconded by Walter.
- ABA Warrant #3 for \$325,470.54 approved on a motion by DeeDee seconded by Walter.

**Arrowsic Broadband Authority update – Don Kornrumpf & Don Hudson:**

- Things are moving fast and going well.
- Hawkeye is focused on getting the underground work done before the ground freezes.
- A schedule is being used to manage Hawkeye and Axiom work and expenses.
- Early sign-ups = 169 (first year budget was 169).
- A subcommittee is overseeing the work at the Little Barn:
  - Damage repair due to digging a trench.
  - Heat pump installation.
- By December 15 the work is to be substantially completed at the Little Barn with the majority of subscribing residents connected.
- Full completion is expected by January 15. A penalty of \$500/day is levied if not fully completed by that date.
- Weekly meetings take place during the construction period.
- Don Hudson will ask Hawkeye for a schedule to complete connections.

**Town staff & volunteers:**

- Animal Control Officer – no candidates
- Properties Committee Chair – DeeDee is following up with possible candidates
- Zoning Board of Appeals (1 member & 2 alternates needed) – no candidates

**Other business:**

- Ruth Indrick from KELT discussed a NOAA grant to address the effects of sea level rise on roads and environmental resiliency in Arrowsic. The KELT grant involves several communities. KELT manages the grant. The work is done by engineering firms. The total amount of the grant has not been finalized but is anticipated to be between \$5M - \$10M. A letter of support was signed by Select Board members Walter Briggs and DeeDee Jorgensen.
- Water Access – Bob Ater: A site evaluation was done for soil contamination and revealed no red flags. The project can move forward.
- The Select Board approved sending two letters with tax bills:
  - Climate Resiliency – letter being written by Jody Jones
  - New ordinance regarding short-term rentals – letter being written by Vicky Stoneman
- The appointment of Eileen Bonine to the role of Deputy Treasurer was confirmed on a motion by DeeDee seconded by Walter.
- Tax commitment and mil rate approved:
  - Tax commitment date will be Tuesday, November 21.
  - The mil rate will be 11.65.

**Mail:** None

**Adjournment:** 7:04pm by Walter seconded by DeeDee

**Next meeting:** Monday, November 27, 2023, 6:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Parker  
Town Administrator